

Apologies for X-posting.

Dear all,

Please find underneath the last POLLEN newsfeed, with news from the various POLLEN nodes.

Enjoy!

Blog posts

Despacito, the crisis is sinking Puerto Rico, by Gustavo García-López and Irina Velicu, <https://entitleblog.org/2017/08/24/despacito-the-crisis-is-sinking-puerto-rico/>

Ende Gelände: Exposing the climate hypocrisy of Western European democracies, by Jens Friis Lund, Jevgeniy Bluwstein, Adam Ronan and Rebecca Leigh Rutt, <https://entitleblog.org/2017/09/07/ende-gelände-exposing-the-climate-hypocrisy-of-western-european-democracies/>

(Un)Thinking Science: A critical call for conscious practical work, by Epifania Akosua Amoo-Adare, <https://entitleblog.org/2017/09/14/unthinking-science-a-critical-call-for-conscious-practical-work/>

Commons and Contradictions: The Political Ecology of Elinor Ostrom, by Derek Wall, <https://entitleblog.org/2017/09/20/commons-and-contradictions-the-political-ecology-of-elinor-ostrom/>

The central role of social actors in the decision making process to define the performance of waste management systems, by Rosaria Chifari, <http://ent.cat/el-paper-central-dels-actors-socials-en-la-definició-del-rendiment-dels-sistemes-de-gestió-de-residus/?lang=en>

Events

Enrolment is now open for the new [Environmental Justice MOOC](#) (a free online course) run by the University of East Anglia and Future Learn. This course starts on 16th October, runs for 5 weeks and expect about 4 hours of study each week. This free online course will help you understand how injustice is a common feature of many environmental problems, and that sustainable environmental management requires attention to justice.

You'll learn with the University of East Anglia's Global Environmental Justice Group - an interdisciplinary mix of scholars interested in social justice and environmental change. You'll also hear from activists around the world, and you'll share your own experiences with other learners from many different backgrounds. [Register today!](#) <https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/environmental-justice/2>

PERC (Political Ecology Resource Centre) at Massey University, New Zealand, has recently wrapped up the Lives and Afterlives of Plastic conference. On October the 11th, Associate Professor Jennifer Silver is hosting a seminar on research on international oceans governance and the 'blue economy.' You can watch the speech live, or later, and find a monthly recap of PERC happenings at our website [here](#).

In September there was a workshop on 'Decolonization and the politics of Wildlife in Africa' happening in Stellenbosch, South Africa, hosted by the Stellenbosch Institute of Advanced Study, from the September 26-30. It is convened by Bernhard Gißibl and Felix Schürmann, with funding from the German Research Foundation, Program »Point Sud«. Key speakers include William Beinart, Jane Carruthers and Maano Ramutsindela. See also: <https://www.animalsandsociety.org/event/decolonization-politics-wildlife-africa/>

In August the UKZN (University of KwaZulu Natal) Geography group hosted a seminar on anti-mining activism in Northern Kwazulu Natal to honour the late Gednezar Dladla. For more information see:

<https://www.facebook.com/FriendsOfUkznAgriculture/photos/a.282215665205317.63370.282208201872730/1513609075399297/?type=3>

I (Emma Colven) would like to invite POLLEN network members attending the 2018 Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers in New Orleans to consider submitting an abstract for a paper session I am co-organizing titled **Disrupting policy mobilities, displacing the 'expert'**. Further information about the session and how to submit an abstract can be found here:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SQOC-ZWN8RpmWvyrqKiB-OpnJqouuiQffddlAIhiwSw/edit?usp=sharing>

Publications

Andreucci, D. 2017 Resources, regulation and the state: Struggles over gas extraction and passive revolution in Evo Morales's Bolivia. *Political Geography*

<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0962629817303268>

Barca, S 2017 Labour and the ecological crisis: The eco-modernist dilemma in western Marxism(s) (1970s-2000s). *Geoforum*

<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0016718517302105?via%3Dihub>

Barca, S. 2017. The Labor(s) of Degrowth. *Capitalism, Nature, Socialism*

<http://www.tandfonline.com/eprint/tu3GKqzH2Uk3qCT7VmQ9/full>

Horowitz, L.S. 2017. Power, cooptation, and the multiplicity of response assemblages: An example from New Caledonia. *Dialogues in Human Geography* 7(2): 192-196

https://www.academia.edu/34409682/Power_cooptation_and_the_multiplicity_of_response_assemblages_An_example_from_New_Caledonia

Zinzani, A., Menga., F., 2017. The Circle of Hydro-Hegemony between Riparian States, Development Policies and Borderlands: Evidence from the Talas Waterscape (Kyrgyzstan-Kazakhstan) *Geoforum*, 85, 112-121

Vacancies

There is a call for three PhD positions at the International Institute of Social Studies (ISS of Erasmus University, the Netherlands) on the political ecology and ecological economics of deforestation in the Amazon. The candidates will join an exciting and dynamic multidisciplinary group conducting research on the political ecology and ecological economics of deforestation in the Amazon in Brazil, Ecuador and Peru.

The call is pasted below and available here: https://www.iss.nl/about_iss/vacancies/

Please share it through your networks and with potential candidates. Apologies for cross-posting!

THANK YOU from Wageningen and welcome to Lancaster!

Dear POLLEN members,

From now on, the Lancaster Environment Centre at the Lancaster University is taking over the POLLEN secretariat! We from Sociology of Development and Change, Wageningen University, the Netherlands, want to thank everybody for being a part in this great and important initiative for the last 2.5 years. We have had the honor of being central to setting POLLEN up and to work with many inspiring political ecologists from all over the world. As has been the plan from the start, POLLEN was established as a participatory platform for political ecologists world-wide to voice their ideas and get in touch with each other, in a field that gets more important every day. One of the highlights has been to organize the first POLLEN Conference in 2016, where we welcomed close to 450 people from around the world to debate many important issues around the themes 'Conflict, Capitalism and Contestation'. Right now, we are very excited about and looking forward to the second biannual POLLEN conference, which will be held from 20-22 June 2018 in Oslo (see: <https://politicalecologynetwork.com/pollen-biannual-conference/> for the CFP).

Of course, this is no goodbye: we will stay actively involved in future POLLEN activities and continue to assist where we can. For now, we wish Lancaster a very good time as the new POLLEN secretariat!

There is always more news at the POLLEN website:
<https://politicalecologynetwork.com/category/news/>

For the last time from Wageningen: THANK YOU!

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